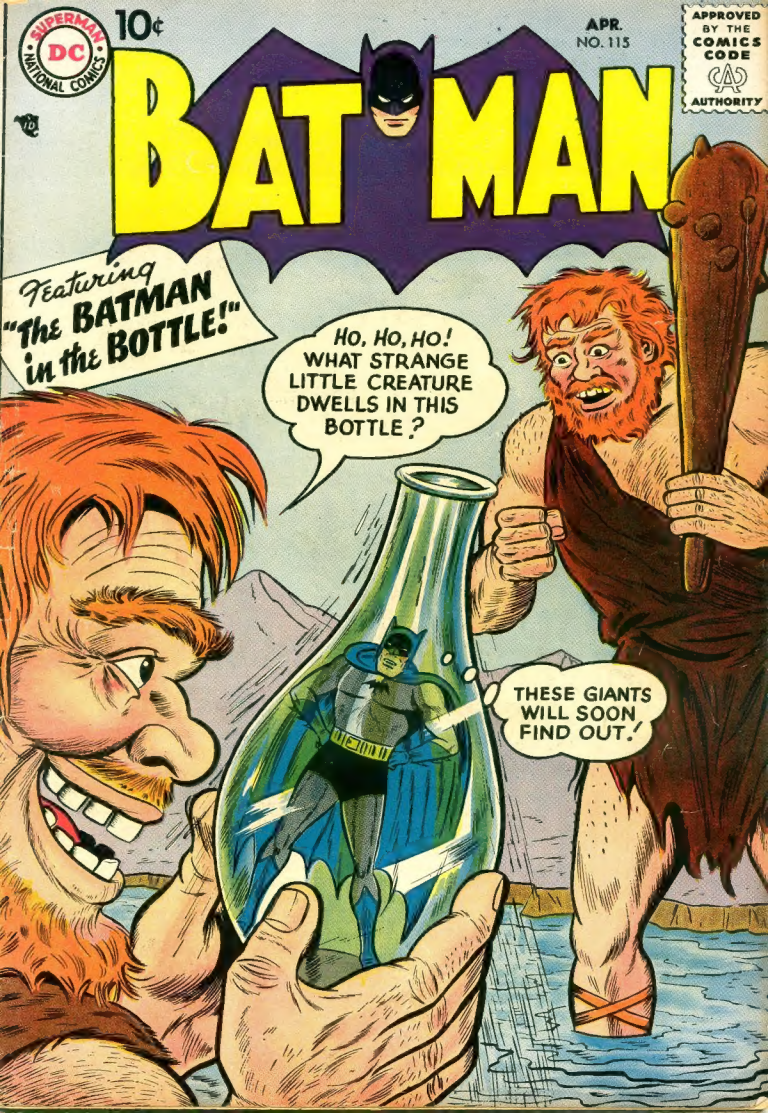
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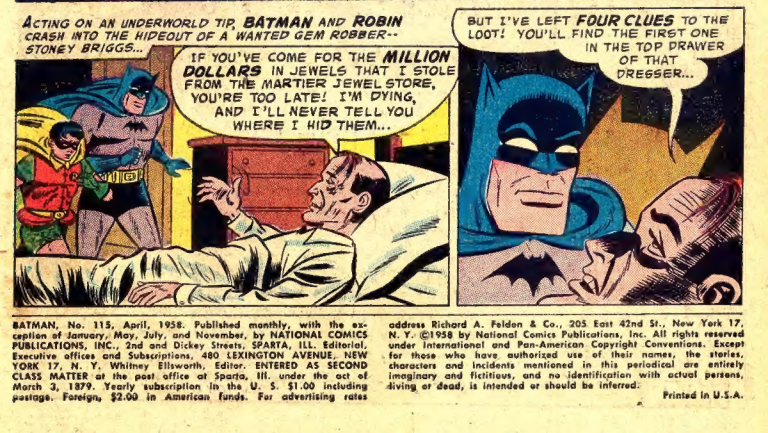
BATMAN
ROBIN
SOMEWHERE IN GOTHAM CITY, A MILLION DOLLARS IN STOLEN GEMS WAS HIDDEN--LOOT HIDDEN BY A DEAD MAN--AND IT WAS UP TO BATMAN AND ROBIN TO LEARN ITS LOCATION. BUT OTHER DESPERATE MEN WERE ALSO ON THE TRAIL OF THE PLUNDERED FORTUNE--SO THAT THE CAPED CRIME-BUSTERS SOON FOUND THEMSELVES IN A DEADLY DUEL, TO SEE WHO WOULD BE FIRST TO DECIPHER...
THE MILLION-DOLLAR CLUES
BOB KANE
SHIFT


ACTING ON AN UNDERWORLD TIP, BATMAN AND ROBIN CRASH INTO THE HIDEOUT OF A WANTED GEM ROBBER--STONEY BRIGGS...
IF YOU'VE COME FOR THE MILLION DOLLARS IN JEWELS THAT I STOLE FROM THE MARTIER JEWEL STORE, YOU'RE TOO LATE! I'M DYING, AND I'LL NEVER TELL YOU WHERE I HID THEM...
BUT I'VE LEFT FOUR CLUES TO THE LOOT! YOU'LL FIND THE FIRST ONE IN THE TOP DRAWER OF THAT DRESSER...

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...BUT YOU WON'T BE THE ONLY ONES LOOKING FOR THE JEWELS! I'VE SENT THE SAME CLUE TO ANGLES NELSON AND BURLY JONES!
ANGLES AND BURLY! THEY WERE IN ON THE HOLDUP WITH YOU-- BUT YOU TOOK OFF WITH THE JEWELS!
YEAH... NOW YOU'LL ALL BE FIGHTING EACH OTHER TO GET TO THE LOOT FIRST... AND I'LL HAVE THE LAST LAUGH-- EVEN THOUGH I'M DYING! HA, HA, HA!
AND SO THE CRIMINAL DIES--STILL LAUGHING--AS BATMAN AND ROBIN EXAMINE THE FIRST MILLION-DOLLAR CLUE...
A FLASHLIGHT-- JUST AN ORDINARY FLASHLIGHT!
AT THAT MOMENT, IN HIS HIDEAWAY, ANGLES NELSON IS ALSO PUZZLING OVER THE CLUE SENT HIM...
ACCORDING TO THE NOTE THAT CAME WITH THIS, STONEY SENT THE SAME CLUE TO BOTH BATMAN AND BURLY! BURLY'S STUPID--BUT BATMAN... HE'S THE ONE I'LL HAVE TO OUTSMART!
AND IN ANOTHER HIDEOUT, BURLY JONES ALSO WEIGHS HIS CHANCES TO FIND THE MILLION-DOLLAR LOOT...
I'M NOT SMART ENOUGH TO FIGURE OUT THE CLUES-- BUT ANGLES IS! SO, I'LL BE SMART BY TRAILING ANGLES--AND LET HIM LEAD ME TO THE LOOT... THEN I'LL STEP IN, AND TAKE IT AWAY FROM HIM!
MEANWHILE, AS BATMAN AND ROBIN PUZZLE OVER THE FIRST CLUE...
LOOK, ROBIN-- WHEN I SWITCHED ON THE LIGHT, IT CAST THE DRAWING OF AN ARK!
AN ARK? IS THAT WHERE STONEY HID THE LOOT?
NOAH'S ARK HAD ANIMALS ON IT... MAYBE STONEY HID THE GEMS IN THE ZOO!
NO, ROBIN-- THAT'S TOO OBVIOUS! STONEY WOULD BE TRICKIER THAN THAT! BUT AN ARK IS ALSO A HOUSE ON WATER, SO... ROBIN! I THINK I KNOW WHAT THE FIRST CLUE MEANS!
WHAT HAS BATMAN FIGURED OUT? CAN YOU GUESS?
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LATER, IN THEIR BAT-LAUNCH, THE CRIME-FIGHTERS SPEED ACROSS GOTHAM BAY...
THERE IT IS, ROBIN... ADD A FLASHLIGHT TO A HOUSE ON WATER-- AND YOU HAVE A HOUSE ON WATER THAT THROWS LIGHT... A LIGHTHOUSE!
OF COURSE! AND WHAT LIGHTHOUSE WOULD BE MORE LOGICAL THAN THAT ABANDONED ONE!
SOON AFTER...
WE'VE SEARCHED THE PLACE FROM TOP TO BOTTOM, BUT NO SIGN OF A CLUE!
WAIT, ROBIN-- REMEMBER HOW THE FLASHLIGHT CAST A PICTURE WHEN WE SWITCHED THE LIGHT ON? I'VE GOT A HUNCH... LET'S GO UP TO THE BEACON!
BATMAN SWITCHES ON THE BEACON--AND, AGAINST THE SKY, THE NEXT CLUE SUDDENLY APPEARS...
TO TRACK DOWN THE THIRD CLUE, YOU MUST CROSS OVER TO A PLACE WHERE THUNDER AND LIGHTNING ARE TIED!
A RIDDLE--AND A TOUGH ONE! IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE AT ALL!
WAIT... LOOK BELOW, ROBIN! IT'S ANGLES AND A HIRELING! HE'S FIGURED OUT THE FLASHLIGHT CLUE, TOO...
AND NOW HE'S SEEN THE NEXT CLUE! WE'VE GOT TO STOP HIM!
MOMENTS LATER, THE BAT-LAUNCH ROARS IN PURSUIT...
BATMAN, HE'S GOING TO FIRE AT US!
THAT WON'T STOP US! THE BAT-LAUNCH IS BULLET-PROOF!
BUT, INSTEAD OF BULLETS...
A FLARE! HE FIRED A FLARE!
UH-- CAN'T SEE!
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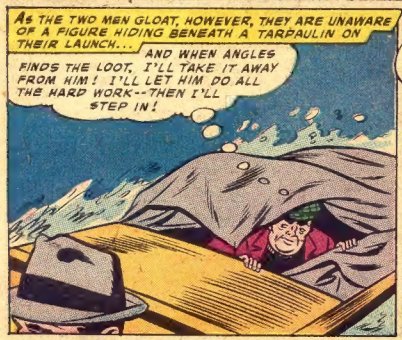
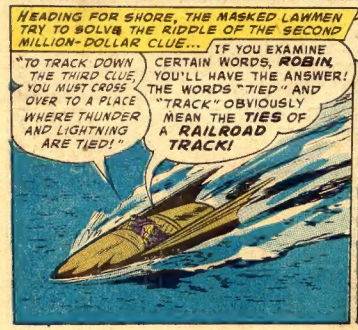
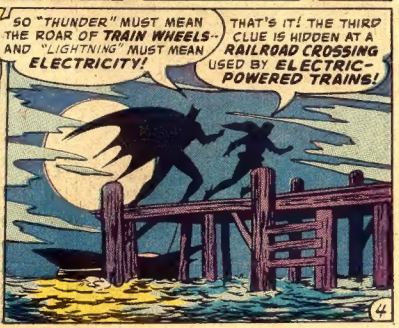
BLINDED, BATMAN LOSES CONTROL OF THE WHEEL, AND...
HA, HA!

NICE GOING, MIKE... I'M GLAD I HIRED YOU! I NEEDED A MAN LIKE YOU, TO HELP STOP BATMAN FROM BEATING ME TO THE LOOT!
SURE, BOSS... AND DON'T FORGET--YOU PROMISED ME A THIRD OF THE LOOT, WHEN WE GET IT!


AS THE TWO MEN GLOAT, HOWEVER, THEY ARE UNAWARE OF A FIGURE HIDING BENEATH A TARPAULIN ON THEIR LAUNCH...
AND WHEN ANGLES FINDS THE LOOT, I'LL TAKE IT AWAY FROM HIM! I'LL LET HIM DO ALL THE HARD WORK--THEN I'LL STEP IN!

IN THE MEANTIME...
YOU ALL RIGHT, BATMAN?
YES-- I CAN SEE NOW! ANGLES HAD A GOOD HEAD START ON US, BUT WE'VE STILL GOT A CHANCE TO CATCH UP!


HEADING FOR SHORE, THE MASKED LAWMEN TRY TO SOLVE THE RIDDLE OF THE SECOND MILLION-DOLLAR CLUE...
"TO TRACK DOWN THE THIRD CLUE, YOU MUST CROSS OVER TO A PLACE WHERE THUNDER AND LIGHTNING ARE TIED!"
IF YOU EXAMINE CERTAIN WORDS, ROBIN, YOU'LL HAVE THE ANSWER! THE WORDS "TIED" AND "TRACK" OBVIOUSLY MEAN THE TIES OF A RAILROAD TRACK!


SO "THUNDER" MUST MEAN THE ROAR OF TRAIN WHEELS-- AND "LIGHTNING" MUST MEAN ELECTRICITY!
THAT'S IT! THE THIRD CLUE IS HIDDEN AT A RAILROAD CROSSING USED BY ELECTRIC-POWERED TRAINS!

BUT, WHEN THEY SPEED TO THE NEAREST ELECTRIC TRAIN CROSSING...
I FOUND IT-- THE THIRD CLUE... 26 KEYS! NOW, IF I CAN FIGURE OUT...
BETTER FIGURE ON STOPPING BATMAN AND ROBIN FIRST! HERE THEY COME!
I'VE GOT ANOTHER RIDDLE FOR YOU, ANGLES... WHAT HAS FOUR WALLS AND STEEL BARS?
HIDDEN IN THE TRUNK OF ANGLES' CAR, BURLY WATCHES IN DISMAY...
IF BATMAN AND ROBIN GRAB ANGLES, HE WON'T BE ABLE TO LEAD ME TO THE LOOT! AND I AIN'T SMART ENOUGH TO FIGURE OUT THE CLUES MYSELF! HMM-- THAT HANDCAR GIVES ME AN IDEA...
SNEAKING INTO THE ADJOINING BUSHES, BURLY GIVES THE HANDCAR A HARD SHOVE, SO THAT...
WHAT A BREAK! THAT HANDCAR GOT LOOSE! NOW'S OUR CHANCE TO LAM!
UHHH!
AND BY THE TIME THE CRIME-FIGHTERS CAN REGAIN THEIR FEET...
THEY GOT AWAY... BUT WE'VE STILL GOT THE THIRD CLUE-- THE 26 KEYS! ONE OF THEM MUST OPEN A VAULT OR DOOR... BUT WHICH DOOR?
I WONDER... WHY DID STONEY LEAVE 26 KEYS, UNLESS.. WAIT A MINUTE! THERE ARE 26 LETTERS IN THE ALPHABET...
...AND WHAT KEYS HAVE ALL 26 LETTERS OF THE ALPHABET ON THEM, ROBIN?
OF COURSE... TYPEWRITER KEYS! THE NEXT CLUE IS ON A TYPEWRITER! ANGLES REALIZED THAT, TOO... THAT'S WHY HE DIDN'T BOTHER TAKING THESE KEYS WITH HIM!
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SOON AFTER...
THOSE 26 KEYS STONEY LEFT ARE BIG-- SO HE MUST'VE MEANT A BIG TYPEWRITER, TOO! ROBIN, REMEMBER THAT HUGE TYPEWRITER THAT WAS BUILT FOR THE BUSINESS SHOW LAST YEAR?
SURE... AND I ALSO REMEMBER THAT IT WAS STORED IN THIS OLD WAREHOUSE!
WAREHOUSE
ENTERING, THE CRIME-FIGHTERS FIND THE FOURTH MILLION-DOLLAR CLUE, PRINTED ON A GIGANTIC SHEET OF TYPING PAPER...
IN A TOWN NOT FAR AWAY, THE GIANT HAND OF BUDDHA HOLDS THE HIDDEN JEWELS!
BATMAN! I KNOW WHAT THAT ODD MESSAGE MEANS! IT'S SO SIMPLE...
SUDDENLY, TWO FIGURES POP UP FROM HIDING...
ALL RIGHT, BATMAN-- THIS IS WHERE I GO ON, AND YOU STOP!
ANGLES!
INSTANTLY, THE DYNAMIC DUO LEAPS INTO ACTION...
X MARKS THE SPOT!
OOF!
OWWW
R-R-R-R-R-R-R-R-R-R-R-R
END OF THE CHASE, ANGLES!
G

OUTSIDE, A GLOATING SPY WATCHES ANGLES' CAPTURE...
HAW! THIS IS ONE TIME I'M NOT GONNA HELP ANGLES! I DON'T NEED HIM ANYMORE, 'CAUSE EVEN I'M SMART ENOUGH TO FIGURE OUT THAT FOURTH CLUE! I'LL TAKE ANGLES' CAR AND GRAB THE LOOT BEFORE BATMAN GETS WISE!
AFTER BATMAN AND ROBIN HAVE TURNED THEIR PRISONERS OVER TO THE POLICE...
THAT LAST CLUE IS A CINCH TO FIGURE OUT! THERE'S ONLY ONE "TOWN" AROUND HERE WHERE THERE'S A LARGE BUDDHA... THAT'S IN THE OLD TEMPLE IN CHINATOWN!
I WONDER WHY STONEY MADE THAT LAST CLUE SO OBVIOUS? EVEN A STUPID MAN LIKE BURLY COULD GET THE ANSWER!
BURLY! I FORGOT ABOUT HIM... BUT I HAVEN'T SEEN HIM AROUND!
NEITHER HAVE I-- BUT KNOWING BURLY, I'LL BET IT WAS HE WHO SHOVED THAT HANDCAR AT YOU!
AT THIS VERY MOMENT, INSIDE A TEMPLE THAT HAS BEEN CLOSED FOR BUILDING REPAIRS...
STONEY SURE PUT THAT BOX IN A TOUGH SPOT TO GET AT... BUT IT'LL BE WORTH THE CLIMB!
BUT, JUST AS BURLY REACHES FOR THE COVETED CONTAINER...
NO, BURLY! DON'T TOUCH THAT BOX!
HUH--? BATMAN AND ROBIN!
BURLY-- IF YOU TOUCH THAT BOX, YOU'RE DOOMED!
DON'T TRY TO KID ME! I'M STUPID-- BUT NOT THAT STUPID! I'M GRABBIN' THAT BOX AND YOU AIN'T GONNA STOP ME!

ABRUPTY, BATMAN'S FOOT LASHES OUT AT A LADDER, AND...
OH-H... MY HAND!
NEXT, ROBIN LEAPS UPWARD, YANKING AT BURLY'S FOOT...
YI-I-I!
I'M FALLING! STOP ME!
YOU'RE STOPPED!
WITH HIS SILKEN LASSO, BATMAN THEN SWINGS HIGH--OVER THE GIANT HAND--AND SEES...
ELECTRICAL WIRES LEADING FROM THE BOX--JUST AS I SUSPECTED! I WONDERED WHY STONEY'S LAST CLUE MADE IT SO EASY TO FIND THE BOX--AND WHY THE BOX WAS SO HARD TO GET AT! IT'S BECAUSE HE DIDN'T WANT THE WIRES SEEN!
DISCONNECTING THE WIRES, BATMAN OPENS THE BOX, AND REVEALS...
DYNAMITE STICKS! THE BOX WAS RIGGED TO EXPLODE!
EXACTLY... STONEY PLANNED THIS WHOLE THING, TO GET RID OF ALL HIS ENEMIES! HE KNEW I'D CERTAINLY CAPTURE ANGLES AND BURLY--SO THAT WOULD ELIMINATE THEM...
...AND HE FIGURED THIS BOMB WOULD ELIMINATE YOU! THAT'S WHY HE DIED LAUGHING--HE FIGURED HE'D HAVE THE LAST LAUGH ON EVERYBODY!
HE'S NOT THE ONLY CROOK WHO THOUGHT HE COULD LAUGH AT THE LAW! THE JAILS ARE FULL OF THEM--AND THERE'S NOT A SMILE AMONG THEM!
THE END

Now... IN A MAGAZINE OF THEIR OWN--

Meet the CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN

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OUR YOUNG CAPTOR FROM OUT OF SPACE LEFT THE TOP OFF OUR CAGE - AND HIS HOUSEHOLD PET IS GOING FOR US!

MEN OF RECKLESS COURAGE SEEKING OUT AND DEFYING THE UNKNOWN WHICH LURKS IN MYSTERIOUS PLACES... GRIMLY COILED!

DEATH MEANS NOTHING TO THESE HEROIC ADVENTURERS, WHO HAD ESCAPED MIRACULOUSLY FROM CERTAIN DOOM AND DEDICATED THEMSELVES TO A SECOND LIFE!

THEY ARE THE MEN WHO LIVE ON BORROWED TIME--

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ON SALE AT YOUR FAVORITE NEWSDEALER!

CASEY
THE COP
WHY, IT'S "PANHANDLER" PETE. WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO ARREST HIM!
STOP!
HE'S RUNNING ACROSS THE ICE!
NO SKATING P. D.
CRASH
AND
SARGE, I CAPTURED "PANHANDLER" PETE. SEND OVER THE PATROL WAGON!
CAN YOU HOLD HIM UNTIL WE GET THERE?
DON'T WORRY. I CAN MANAGE HIM!

BAT MAN
With ROBIN THE BOY WONDER
NEED HELP?
Call BATMAN!
THE MAN WHO CRACKED THE "ROBBER ROBOT" CASE!
BATMAN PRIVATE DETECTIVE AGENCY
BOB KANE
IN TROUBLE? CALL BATMAN!
ARE YOU IN TROUBLE? DO YOU NEED THE HELP OF A DETECTIVE? THEN CALL ON THE BATMAN PRIVATE DETECTIVE AGENCY WHERE THE GREATEST OF ALL LAWMEN WILL HELP YOU-- FOR A PRICE! YES, STRANGE AS IT SEEMS, THE CAPED CRIME-BUSTER HAS SET HIMSELF UP IN BUSINESS, OFFERING THE SERVICES OF...
BATMAN FOR HIRE
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT-- BATMAN-- IN BUSINESS FOR HIMSELF NOW!
YES... NOW HE DOES CRIME-FIGHTING FOR A PRICE!
IN GOTHAM CITY, ONE MORNING, BATMAN MAKES A STARTLING ANNOUNCEMENT TO NEWS REPORTERS...
AS, OF TODAY, I'M OPENING UP A BATMAN PRIVATE DETECTIVE AGENCY! I PLAN TO HIRE OUT MY SERVICES-- FOR A PRICE!
WHAT--? DOES THIS MEAN YOU'LL STOP WORKING WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, BATMAN?
NO-- THAT WILL GO ON AS USUAL! MY AGENCY WILL ONLY BE A SIDELINE! YOU SEE, I MUST EARN MONEY FOR ROBIN'S FUTURE COLLEGE EDUCATION-- AND A FUND FOR MYSELF WHEN I FINALLY RETIRE!

THE NEWS SPREADS LIKE WILD-FIRE -- AND SOON, IN THE OFFICE OF POLICE COMMISSIONER GORDON...

HOW ABOUT IT, COMMISSIONER? WE ALWAYS UNDERSTOOD **BATMAN** WAS INDEPENDENTLY WEALTHY.

WELL... MAYBE HE'S HAD BUSINESS REVERSES AND HIS FORTUNE HAS BEEN WIPED OUT!

WON'T **BATMAN'S** PRIVATE BUSINESS INTERFERE WITH HIS POLICE WORK -- LIKE THE **PHANTOM BANK BANDIT** AND OTHER UNSOLVED CASES?

WE THINK NOT! WHENEVER **BATMAN** IS TOO BUSY, **ROBIN** WILL STILL BE WORKING WITH US

BUT A GRATEFUL CITY DOESN'T INTEND TO LET ITS HERO DOWN...

BATMAN, WE REPRESENT A CITIZENS' COMMITTEE THAT INTENDS COLLECTING FUNDS TO HELP YOU THROUGH YOUR FINANCIAL TROUBLE, AND...

NO -- PLEASE! IT'S WONDERFUL TO KNOW I HAVE SO MANY FRIENDS, BUT I CAN'T ACCEPT CHARITY! I'LL **EARN** THE MONEY I NEED!

NEXT DAY, BILLBOARD POSTERS ANNOUNCE THE OPENING OF GOTHAM CITY'S NEWEST DETECTIVE AGENCY...

NEED HELP? Call The MAN WHO SOLVED The "BLIMP BANDITS" CASE

BATMAN PRIVATE DETECTIVE AGENCY

BATMAN -- IN BUSINESS FOR HIMSELF! IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE!

HE WON'T SEEM LIKE THE SAME OLD **BATMAN** ANYMORE!

IT ISN'T LONG BEFORE WOULD-BE CLIENTS FLOCK TO HIS OFFICE...

I'LL GIVE **BATMAN** $500 IF HE'LL FIND MY LITTLE PEKINGESE DOG!

SOMEONE BROKE INTO MY PRIVATE SAFE AND

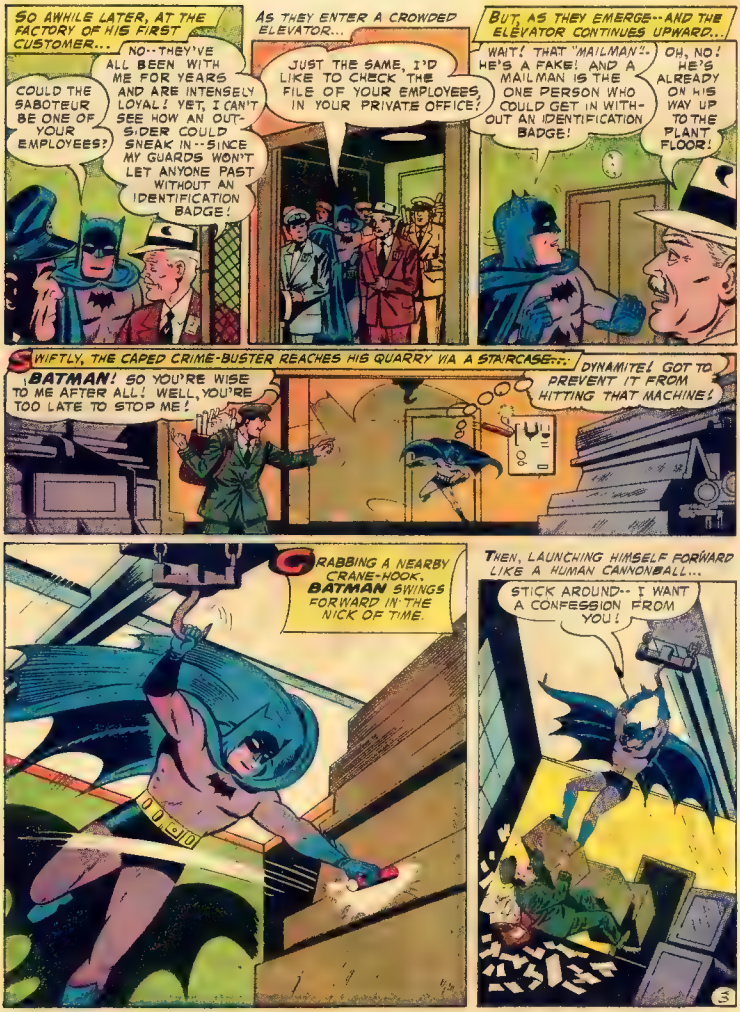
PLEASE -- **BATMAN** CAN ONLY TAKE CASES THAT ARE **URGENT!**

BATMAN PRIVATE DETECTIVE AGENCY

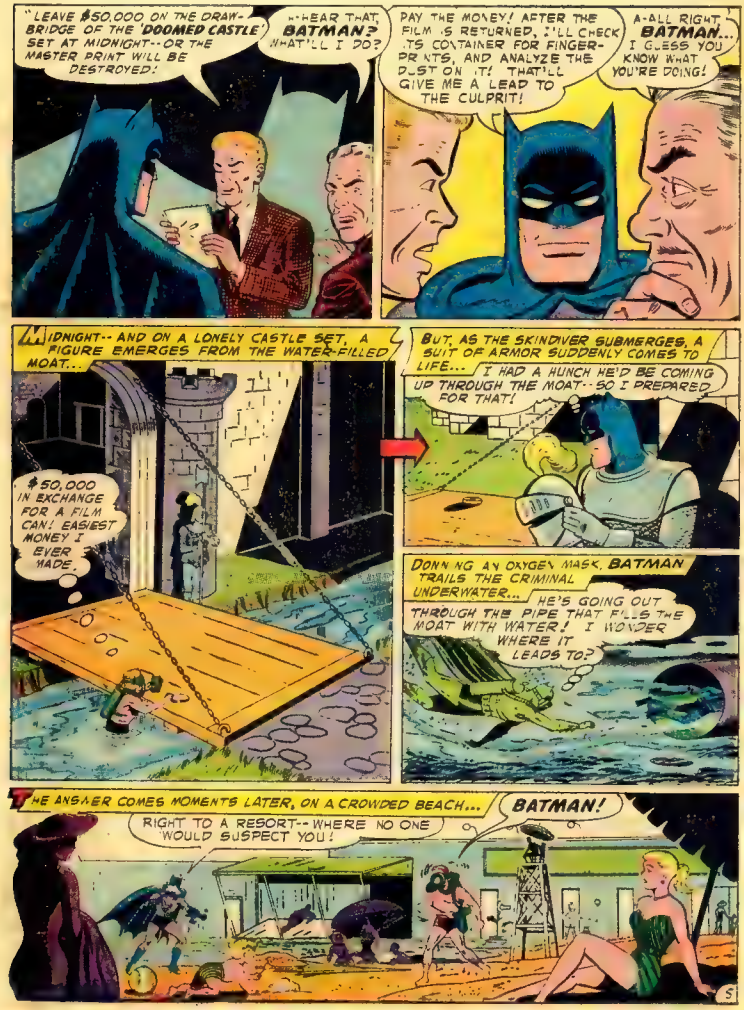
FINALLY, THE SECRETARY CONTACTS **BATMAN** ON HIS BELT-RADIO...

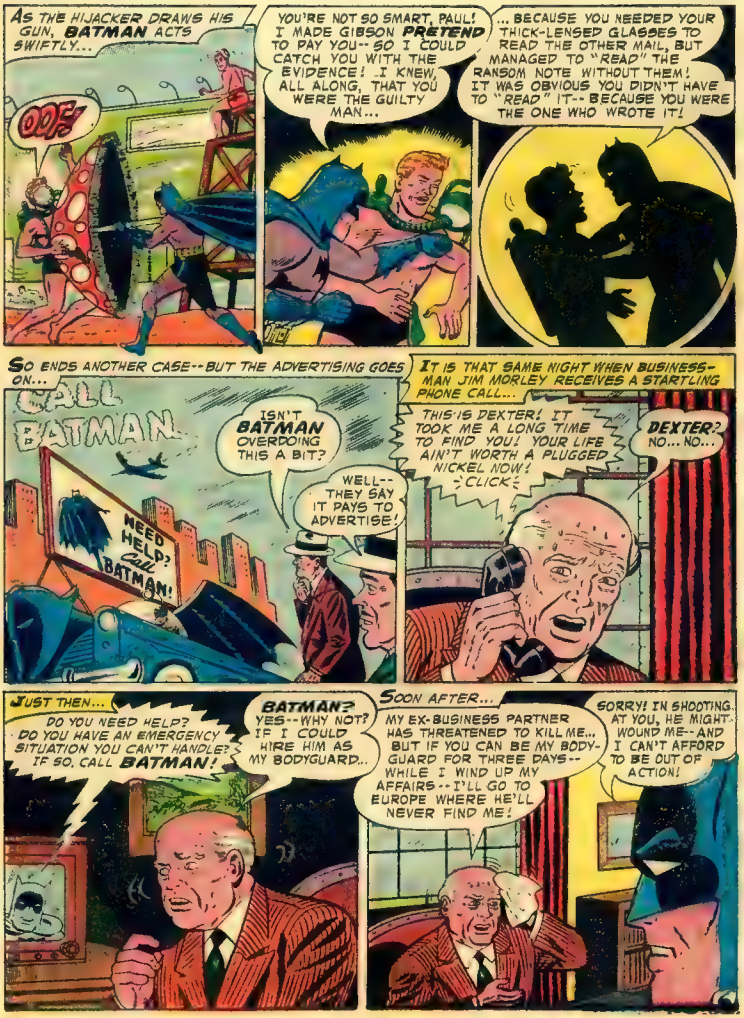
THERE'S A GENTLEMAN HERE WHO BELIEVES A RIVAL MANUFACTURER HAS HIRED SOMEONE TO SABOTAGE HIS NEW PLANT!

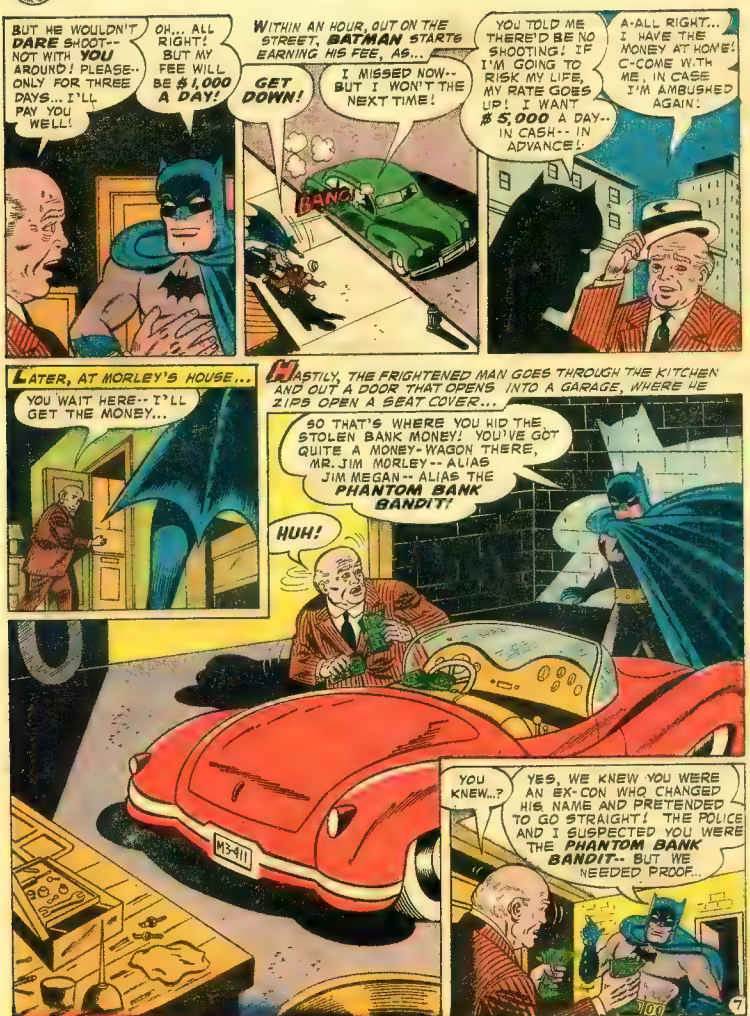
SABOTAGE?... THAT **IS** URGENT! TELL HIM I'LL TAKE THE CASE FOR $5,000!


SO AWHILE LATER, AT THE FACTORY OF HIS FIRST CUSTOMER...
COULD THE SABOTEUR BE ONE OF YOUR EMPLOYEES?
NO--THEY'VE ALL BEEN WITH ME FOR YEARS AND ARE INTENSELY LOYAL! YET, I CAN'T SEE HOW AN OUTSIDER COULD SNEAK IN--SINCE MY GUARDS WON'T LET ANYONE PAST WITHOUT AN IDENTIFICATION BADGE!
AS THEY ENTER A CROWDED ELEVATOR...
JUST THE SAME, I'D LIKE TO CHECK THE FILE OF YOUR EMPLOYEES, IN YOUR PRIVATE OFFICE!
BUT, AS THEY EMERGE--AND THE ELEVATOR CONTINUES UPWARD...
WAIT! THAT "MAILMAN"--HE'S A FAKE! AND A MAILMAN IS THE ONE PERSON WHO COULD GET IN WITHOUT AN IDENTIFICATION BADGE!
OH, NO! HE'S ALREADY ON HIS WAY UP TO THE PLANT FLOOR!
SWIFTLY, THE CAPED CRIME-BUSTER REACHES HIS QUARRY VIA A STAIRCASE...
BATMAN! SO YOU'RE WISE TO ME AFTER ALL! WELL, YOU'RE TOO LATE TO STOP ME!
DYNAMITE! GOT TO PREVENT IT FROM HITTING THAT MACHINE!
GRABBING A NEARBY CRANE-HOOK, BATMAN SWINGS FORWARD IN THE NICK OF TIME.
THEN, LAUNCHING HIMSELF FORWARD LIKE A HUMAN CANNONBALL...
STICK AROUND-- I WANT A CONFESSION FROM YOU!

AFTERWARD...
THE FIRST PRECAUTION A MAILMAN LEARNS IS TO SWITCH HIS MAILBAG FROM BACK TO FRONT IN CROWDED PLACES, LIKE ELEVATORS--SO HE CAN WATCH IT! BUT YOU DIDN'T, PROVING YOU WERE A FAKE!
OKAY--HOW'D I SLIP UP?
THUS ENDS BATMAN'S FIRST PRIVATE CASE--THOUGH HIS ADVERTISING CONTINUES ON INTO THE NIGHT...
LOOK! NOW HE'S USING THE BAT-SIGNAL TO DRUM UP BUSINESS!
IN TROUBLE? CALL BATMAN!
HIS CAMPAIGN BRINGS HIM MANY KINDS OF CASES...
GAZETTE
BATMAN GUARDS CROWN JEWELS
STAR
BATMAN GUARDS TV QUIZ QUESTION
DAILY GLOBE
BATMAN LOCATES MISSING HEIR ON SKID ROW
...BUT NEVER TO THE DETRIMENT OF HIS REGULAR POLICE WORK!
OKAY, ROBIN--I'LL LEAVE THESE MOBSTERS WITH YOU! I'VE GOT A PRIVATE CASE TO TAKE CARE OF NOW!
LATER, AT THE OFFICE OF A MOVIE PRODUCER...
YOU SAY THE MASTER PRINT OF YOUR MOVIE WAS STOLEN BEFORE YOU COULD MAKE DUPLICATE PRINTS--AND IT'S BEING HELD FOR RANSOM?
YES...MY ASSISTANT IS CHECKING THE MAIL NOW! THE ROBBER MAY HAVE SENT A RANSOM LETTER!
SHORTLY, WHILE CHECKING THE PRINT LAB FOR POSSIBLE CLUES...
MR. GIBSON--THIS ENVELOPE IS PRINTED IN PENCIL AND MARKED "PRIVATE"! IT COULD BE FROM THE THIEF!
OHHH... I'M AFRAID TO OPEN IT! READ IT, PAUL--TELL ME THE WORST!


"LEAVE $50,000 ON THE DRAWBRIDGE OF THE 'DOOMED CASTLE' SET AT MIDNIGHT--OR THE MASTER PRINT WILL BE DESTROYED!
--HEAR THAT, BATMAN? WHAT'LL I DO?
PAY THE MONEY! AFTER THE FILM IS RETURNED, I'LL CHECK ITS CONTAINER FOR FINGERPRINTS, AND ANALYZE THE DUST ON IT! THAT'LL GIVE ME A LEAD TO THE CULPRIT!
A-ALL RIGHT, BATMAN... I GUESS YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING!
MIDNIGHT-- AND ON A LONELY CASTLE SET, A FIGURE EMERGES FROM THE WATER-FILLED MOAT...
$50,000 IN EXCHANGE FOR A FILM CAN! EASIEST MONEY I EVER MADE.
BUT, AS THE SKINDIVER SUBMERGES, A SUIT OF ARMOR SUDDENLY COMES TO LIFE... I HAD A HUNCH HE'D BE COMING UP THROUGH THE MOAT--SO I PREPARED FOR THAT!
DONNING AN OXYGEN MASK, BATMAN TRAILS THE CRIMINAL UNDERWATER...
HE'S GOING OUT THROUGH THE PIPE THAT FILLS THE MOAT WITH WATER! I WONDER WHERE IT LEADS TO?
THE ANSWER COMES MOMENTS LATER, ON A CROWDED BEACH...
BATMAN!
RIGHT TO A RESORT--WHERE NO ONE WOULD SUSPECT YOU!


AS THE HIJACKER DRAWS HIS GUN, BATMAN ACTS SWIFTLY...
OOF!
YOU'RE NOT SO SMART, PAUL! I MADE GIBSON PRETEND TO PAY YOU--SO I COULD CATCH YOU WITH THE EVIDENCE! I KNEW, ALL ALONG, THAT YOU WERE THE GUILTY MAN...
...BECAUSE YOU NEEDED YOUR THICK-LENSED GLASSES TO READ THE OTHER MAIL, BUT MANAGED TO "READ" THE RANSOM NOTE WITHOUT THEM! IT WAS OBVIOUS YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO "READ" IT--BECAUSE YOU WERE THE ONE WHO WROTE IT!
SO ENDS ANOTHER CASE--BUT THE ADVERTISING GOES ON...
CALL BATMAN
NEED HELP? Call BATMAN!
ISN'T BATMAN OVERDOING THIS A BIT?
WELL--THEY SAY IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE!
IT IS THAT SAME NIGHT WHEN BUSINESS-MAN JIM MORLEY RECEIVES A STARTLING PHONE CALL...
THIS IS DEXTER! IT TOOK ME A LONG TIME TO FIND YOU! YOUR LIFE AIN'T WORTH A PLUGGED NICKEL NOW! -CLICK-
DEXTER? NO... NO...
JUST THEN...
DO YOU NEED HELP? DO YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY SITUATION YOU CAN'T HANDLE? IF SO, CALL BATMAN!
BATMAN? YES--WHY NOT? IF I COULD HIRE HIM AS MY BODYGUARD...
SOON AFTER...
MY EX-BUSINESS PARTNER HAS THREATENED TO KILL ME... BUT IF YOU CAN BE MY BODY-GUARD FOR THREE DAYS--WHILE I WIND UP MY AFFAIRS--I'LL GO TO EUROPE WHERE HE'LL NEVER FIND ME!
SORRY! IN SHOOTING AT YOU, HE MIGHT WOUND ME--AND I CAN'T AFFORD TO BE OUT OF ACTION!


BUT HE WOULDN'T DARE SHOOT-- NOT WITH YOU AROUND! PLEASE.. ONLY FOR THREE DAYS... I'LL PAY YOU WELL!
OH... ALL RIGHT! BUT MY FEE WILL BE $1,000 A DAY!
WITHIN AN HOUR, OUT ON THE STREET, BATMAN STARTS EARNING HIS FEE, AS...
GET DOWN!
I MISSED NOW-- BUT I WON'T THE NEXT TIME!
BANG!
YOU TOLD ME THERE'D BE NO SHOOTING! IF I'M GOING TO RISK MY LIFE, MY RATE GOES UP! I WANT $5,000 A DAY-- IN CASH-- IN ADVANCE!
A-ALL RIGHT... I HAVE THE MONEY AT HOME! C-COME WITH ME, IN CASE I'M AMBUSHED AGAIN!
LATER, AT MORLEY'S HOUSE...
YOU WAIT HERE-- I'LL GET THE MONEY...
HASTILY, THE FRIGHTENED MAN GOES THROUGH THE KITCHEN AND OUT A DOOR THAT OPENS INTO A GARAGE, WHERE HE ZIPS OPEN A SEAT COVER...
SO THAT'S WHERE YOU HID THE STOLEN BANK MONEY! YOU'VE GOT QUITE A MONEY-WAGON THERE, MR. JIM MORLEY-- ALIAS JIM MEGAN-- ALIAS THE PHANTOM BANK BANDIT!
HUH!
M3-911
YOU KNEW...?
YES, WE KNEW YOU WERE AN EX-CON WHO CHANGED HIS NAME AND PRETENDED TO GO STRAIGHT! THE POLICE AND I SUSPECTED YOU WERE THE PHANTOM BANK BANDIT-- BUT WE NEEDED PROOF..

... SO, REMEMBERING YOU'D ONCE DOUBLE-CROSSED A CELLMATE NAMED DEXTER, WHO SWORE REVENGE, WE HAD A POLICEMAN PRETEND TO BE DEXTER! HE PHONED YOU... AND HE PRETENDED TO SHOOT AT YOU!
IT--IT WAS A TRICK?
YES... JUST AS THE BATMAN PRIVATE DETECTIVE AGENCY WAS A TRICK--A BIG BUILDUP TO GET YOU TO HIRE ME AND LEAD ME TO YOUR LOOT!
ABRUPTLY..
WHAT...?
YOU'RE TRICKY, BATMAN-- BUT I'M TRICKY, TOO!
HOPPING INTO HIS SPORTS CAR, THE BANDIT QUICKLY SPEEDS AWAY...
YOU CAN KEEP THOSE BILLS, BATMAN! I'VE GOT PLENTY MORE--RIGHT IN MY GETAWAY CAR... HA, HA, HA!
BUT SUDDENLY, A LITHE FIGURE DROPS FROM A TREE...
YOU DON'T REALLY THINK BATMAN WENT THROUGH ALL THIS TROUBLE-- JUST TO LET YOU ESCAPE!
ROBIN!
MOVE OVER, MORLEY-- I'M TAKING THE WHEEL... AND YOU'RE TAKING A RIDE BACK TO PRISON!
AND SO, WITH THE PHANTOM BANK BANDIT BEHIND BARS, BATMAN'S PRIVATE AGENCY GOES OUT OF BUSINESS...
LOOK! THE BAT-SIGNAL! POLICE HEADQUARTERS IS CALLING BATMAN!
IT'S GOOD TO KNOW BATMAN IS BACK ON THE JOB... THE FULL-TIME JOB OF WORKING WITH THE POLICE!
THE END

PETER PORKCHOPS in "The SECRET of the HAPPY PIG!"

WHY AM I ALWAYS SO MISERABLE? WHY CAN'T I BE SOMEBODY ELSE--SOMEBODY BIG AND FAMOUS?
I'M GOING TO ASK PETER PORKCHOPS TO CHEER ME UP. HE'S ALWAYS SO HAPPY. WONDER HOW HE GOT THAT WAY?
SURE, MERVIN, I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL. I WAS THAT WAY ONCE MYSELF--ALWAYS WANTING TO BE SOMEBODY ELSE OR DO SOMETHING IMPOSSIBLE. WHY, ONCE I EVEN TRIED TO SING LIKE A BIRD. ME! IMAGINE!
"... AND I THOUGHT I HAD TO PROVE I WAS BIG AND STRONG AND BRAVE, NO MATTER WHAT..."
GOSH, I'M SCARED, I WAS SILLY TO SAY I'D SWIM ACROSS THE DEEPEST PART OF THE RIVER. WISH I'D NEVER TAKEN THAT DARE!
"... AND I ALWAYS WANTED EVERYBODY TO THINK I WAS WONDERFUL, WHETHER I WAS OR NOT, UNTIL..."
YES, SIR, MR. TURTLE, YOUR SURPRISE PARTY WAS MY IDEA AND I GOT EVERYTHING ORGANIZED AND I SAID--
THE NERVE OF YOU, WOLFIE! YOU KNOW VERY WELL WE ALL WORKED FOR TURTLE'S PARTY!
YOU KNOW, PETER, WE'RE GLAD YOU TOLD WOLFIE OFF. WE HATE TO SAY IT BUT YOU WERE GETTING TO BE JUST LIKE WOLFIE, IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE.
I WAS?
THAT CURED ME! WHO WANTS TO BE UNPOPULAR AND UNHAPPY LIKE WOLFIE? I JUST DECIDED TO BE ME AND DO THE THINGS I CAN DO!
SO THAT'S THE SECRET OF BEING HAPPY! IT SURE SOUNDS GOOD TO ME!

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The Sentry Who Never Sleeps

THE tourist returning from Europe heaved his two bulging suitcases onto the counter for inspection. "Have you anything to declare," asked the customs agent, "that you are bringing from abroad?"

"Not a thing," replied the returning visitor, "unless you want me to include the good time I had," he added, jovially.

The agent glanced at a co-worker emerging from a nearby booth. "You'd better hold him," said the second agent, as he approached.

"What kind of a gag is this?" asked the puzzled traveler. "Why do you want to hold me?"

"Because of your tube of toothpaste."

The tourist blanched under the impact of the discovery of his ruse.

"One of the tubes of toothpaste in your bag is loaded with diamonds," the agent explained. "You were trying to smuggle them in. I'm afraid you'll have to follow me to the office to answer some questions. You'll be detained for sometime, but don't worry about your luggage. I assure you, they'll be well taken care of."

How had Customs caught onto this sly smuggler? Like many others who had tried, he had been detected by a device known as the Inspectoscope. This is comprised of two units—a small, box-like affair whose high-powered eye focuses on any object before it, and, not far off, a screen on which is projected a fluoroscopic picture of the same, scrutinized by an alert attendant for contraband.

Invented by an X-ray engineer, the gadget first gained prominence during the war, when it was used in post offices receiving overseas mail, to locate forbidden souvenirs in parcels sent by servicemen. All sorts of weapons, including live ammunition, were disclosed. One ingenious GI even attempted to send a small cannon home, piece by piece, to thwart postal inspectors, envisioning it, perhaps, reconstructed on the lawn of his home. But unmasking this trickery was simple for the Inspectoscope.

The Inspectoscope served on other home fronts with considerable success. Plants engaged in manufacturing war material were equipped with the gadget not only to reveal saboteurs, but also to identify workers who committed petty thievery of company property. Ultimately, all navy yards and army ordnance plants were provided with the Inspectoscope.

Today, most of the nation's prominent prisons are equipped with the apparatus. Visitors unknowingly submit to a search of the contents of their pockets and purses, to hunt down anyone bearing a concealed weapon. In some institutions, an Inspectoscope secretly scrutinizes every inmate as he emerges from a tool shop, to prevent the theft of an implement that could be converted into a weapon.

National defense plants also are benefiting from the Inspectoscope. In atomic plants and missile-making laboratories, the Inspectoscope is on 24-hour sentry duty.

Abroad, it is also finding favor, as it is adapted to new uses. One particular diamond mine operator in Africa recently installed it at his mine's gate to ferret out native workers, who resorted to all sorts of connivery to slip past the guards with samples. When the workers persistently eluded discovery, the Inspectoscope was installed—revealing diamonds fitted into the cavities of their teeth.

BATMAN WITH ROBIN THE BOY WONDER
BATMAN AND ROBIN JOURNEY BACK IN TIME TO SAVE AN ANCIENT CIVILIZATION! BUT IN ORDER TO DO SO, THE CAPED DETECTIVES HAVE TO COMBAT A GIGANTIC ENEMY! AND SO IT IS THAT A BIZARRE PLAN TAKES FORM-- AND THE VERY LIVES OF THE PAIR DEPEND ON THE SUCCESS OF...
BATMAN IN THE BOTTLE
STOP! SURRENDER TO US, OR I WILL RELEASE THE GENIE IN THE BOTTLE TO DESTROY YOU!
GOSH, IF THEY DON'T LISTEN TO CHIEF TANG, HOW CAN BATMAN PROVE HE'S A GENIE?
BOB KANE
IN THE MIDDLE EAST, TWO ARCHEOLOGISTS GAPE IN WONDER AS THEIR DIGGINGS UNEARTH A BIZARRE MACHINE...
WHY, IT APPEARS TO BE SOME SORT OF GIANT SLINGSHOT!
THIS IS THE MOST INCREDIBLE FIND WE'VE MADE HERE IN THE VALLEY OF THE ANCIENT ZOTO PEOPLES!
THE NEWS SWIFTLY TRAVELS AROUND THE WORLD..
DAILY NEWS
5¢
GAZETTE
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GOTHAM
FANTASTIC NEW FIND IN VALLEY OF ZOTOS
GREAT WEAPON OF MYSTERIOUS CIVILIZATION REVEALED

SOON AFTER, WEALTHY BRUCE WAYNE AND HIS WARD, DICK GRAYSON, DISCUSS THE DISCOVERY IN THE LABORATORY OF PROFESSOR NICHOLS...
THIS NEW FIND OF THE UNKNOWN ZOTO CIVILIZATION IS EVEN MORE PUZZLING THAN THE UNDERGROUND HUTS OR GIANT WATCH POLE DISCOVERED EARLIER!
EXACTLY, PROFESSOR, AND WE'RE JUST AS CURIOUS AS THE SCIENTIFIC WORLD TO KNOW WHAT IT ALL MEANS!
WITH YOUR HELP, DICK AND I WOULD LIKE TO TRY TO CRACK THE MYSTERY OF THE LOST ZOTO WORLD WITH YOUR TIME MACHINE!
ACCORDING TO THIS SCROLL WORK, I WOULD SAY IT HAD BEEN MADE ABOUT 700 A.D.!
WE CAN CAST LIGHT ON ONE OF HISTORY'S GREATEST SECRETS! MY TIME MACHINE IS READY--
AND SO ARE WE, PROFESSOR NICHOLS!
SHORTLY, ALL PREPARATIONS ARE COMPLETED FOR A FLIGHT INTO THE PAST...
BRACE YOURSELVES! IN EXACTLY THREE SECONDS, I SHALL ATTEMPT TO HURL YOU BACK INTO THE ZOTO CIVILIZATION!
WE'RE READY!
SUDDENLY, THEIR SENSES REEL AS THEIR BODIES WHIRL THROUGH THE VOID OF SPACE...
FINALLY, THE MULTI-COLORED LIGHTS FADE AWAY... THEIR HEADS CLEAR, AND...
WE'RE HERE, BRUCE... IN THE TIME OF THE ANCIENT ZOTOS!
LET'S CHANGE TO BATMAN AND ROBIN AND SEEK OUT THE MYSTERIOUS INHABITANTS!

AS THEY FINISH PUTTING ON THEIR COSTUMES...
BATMAN·· THE BOOM OF A GIANT DRUM COMING FROM THAT VALLEY!
THE ZOTOS! LET'S GET DOWN THERE FAST, ROBIN!
BOOM BOOM BOOM
MINUTES LATER, THE PAIR COME TO AN ABRUPT HALT AS...
GOSH! WHAT CAN IT MEAN, BATMAN?
THEY SEEM TO BE HONORING THE GIANT SLING!
SUDDENLY...
ENEMY SPIES!
GUESS THIS ISN'T THE RIGHT TIME TO MAKE CONTACT! ROBIN, HEAD TOWARD THAT FOOTBRIDGE!
HU-YU! HU-YU!
BATMAN! THEY WON'T GIVE US A CHANCE TO EXPLAIN WE MEAN NO HARM!
AND WE CAN'T FIGHT AND HURT THEM, ROBIN! WE'LL HAVE TO ESCAPE AND WORK OUT SOMETHING LATER!
AS THE DYNAMIC DUO REACH THE OPPOSITE VALLEY WALL...
THEIR WEIGHT TORE LOOSE ONE OF THE TWO FOOTBRIDGE SUPPORTS, BATMAN!
AND THE OTHER WILL GIVE ANY MOMENT! ROBIN! LEND A HAND! THIS IS OUR CHANCE TO PROVE OUR FRIENDSHIP!
THEN... BACK! BACK! RETURN BEFORE YOUR WEIGHT SNAPS THE OTHER SUPPORT!
RETURN, WARRIORS! THE STRANGER IS A FRIEND-- HE HAS HELD THE BRIDGE TO SAVE US!

OUR GRATITUDE, STRANGE VISITORS! THE BRIDGE WILL HOLD THE WEIGHT OF MERELY TWO! COME BACK!
YOU DID IT, BATMAN! THEY KNOW NOW WE'RE FRIENDS!
SOON AFTER...
TELL ME, FROM WHERE DO YOU TRAVEL? AND WHY ARE YOU SO STRANGELY GARBED?
CHIEF TANG, OUR ANSWERS WOULD ONLY CONFUSE YOU! BUT TELL US WHY YOUR GIANT SLING WAS MADE -- AND WHY YOU HONOR IT!
IF YOU HAVE NOT THAT ANSWER, IT IS CLEAR YOU KNOW LITTLE ABOUT US! VERY WELL, MY FRIENDS -- I SHALL TELL YOU THE STORY OF THE MIGHTY SLING!
MY MEN TOILED 100 NIGHTS TO BUILD THE MIGHTY SLING..."
THE TOIL STRAINS OUR BODIES -- BUT YOU MUST WORK FASTER! THE TIME DRAWS NEAR WHEN THE GIANTS WILL RETURN!
"OUR WEAPON WAS INDEED FINISHED WHEN THE GIANTS REAPPEARED. BUT, ALAS, IT COULD ONLY HOLD BACK THEIR ASSAULT FOR THE MOMENT..."
HO! THE LITTLE ONES HAVE A NEW WEAPON! FOR THIS, WE SHALL TAKE EXTRA SLAVES!
THE MIGHTY SLING CANNOT BEAT THEM OFF! FLEE!

"FOR CENTURIES, MY PEOPLE HAVE TOILED IN THE MILLS OF THE TERRIBLE RIVER CANYON GIANTS..."
NO... NO! I DO NOT WANT TO BE ENSLAVED BY THE GIANTS!
SO THAT'S WHY YOUR PEOPLE TRIED LIVING IN UNDERGROUND HUTS AND BUILT A TALL WATCH POLE -- TO ESCAPE THE GIANTS!
MANY IDEAS HAVE BEEN TRIED TO ESCAPE THEM! ALAS, IF ONLY WE HAD A GENIE WHO COULD AID US!
IN THIS ERA, PEOPLE BELIEVED IN GENIES WHO HAD GREAT MAGICAL POWERS, BATMAN!
HMM, THAT MAY BE THE KEY TO SMASHING THIS GIANT THREAT!
SHORTLY, AS BATMAN ENLISTS THE AID OF CHIEF TANG'S MEN..
THAT'S IT -- DIG RIGHT HERE!
BATMAN SCOUTED THE WHOLE AREA, DIGGING UP CERTAIN SECTIONS OF EARTH! WHAT CAN HE BE UP TO?
THE STARTLING ANSWER SOON BECOMES APPARENT..
YOU MEAN, YOU'RE PREPARING THESE MINERALS FOR GLASS BLOWING, BATMAN?
RIGHT, ROBIN! BY BLENDING NITRATE, SODA ASH AND LIME, I GET PURE SILICA! THAT'S WHAT GLASS IS BLOWN FROM, AND THAT'S WHY I HAD TO FIND SPECIAL SOILS!
THEN...
TRULY, I CANNOT UNDERSTAND HOW A PIECE OF GLASS CAN AID US, ROBIN!
GOSH, CHIEF, NEITHER CAN I! WONDER WHAT BATMAN'S MAKING?

FINALLY...
A LARGE BOTTLE! BUT CAN THAT HELP US FIGHT THE GIANTS BATMAN?
I THINK SO!
SHORTLY... THE SLING'S POWER COULDN'T DEFEAT THE BRUTES--BUT PERHAPS FEAR CAN! I'M GOING TO BE A GENIE IN THE BOTTLE, ROBIN! NOW, LET ME EXPLAIN MY PLAN!
SHORTLY AFTER, BATMAN PUTS HIS PLAN INTO ACTION, AS HE SPEAKS TO HIS PARTNER VIA BELT RADIO...
THE CURRENT SHOULD CARRY ME INTO THE CANYON OF THE RIVER GIANTS IN ABOUT AN HOUR, ROBIN!
RIGHT, BATMAN--WE'LL BE READY!
AN HOUR LATER...
I'VE ARRIVED--AND HAVE BEEN SPOTTED! GOT TO TIME EVERYTHING PERFECTLY!
A STRANGE BOTTLE! FETCH IT!
A MONSTROUS HAND PLUCKS THE BOTTLE FROM THE RIVER, AND...
A LITTLE CREATURE IN THE BOTTLE! YIPE!
I STARTLED THEM WITH THE FLASH POWDER FROM MY UTILITY BELT! SO FAR SO GOOD!
SUDDENLY...
GOOD--HE DROPPED THE BOTTLE IN BEWILDERMENT!
ZOUNDS! WHAT IS THIS TINY THING?
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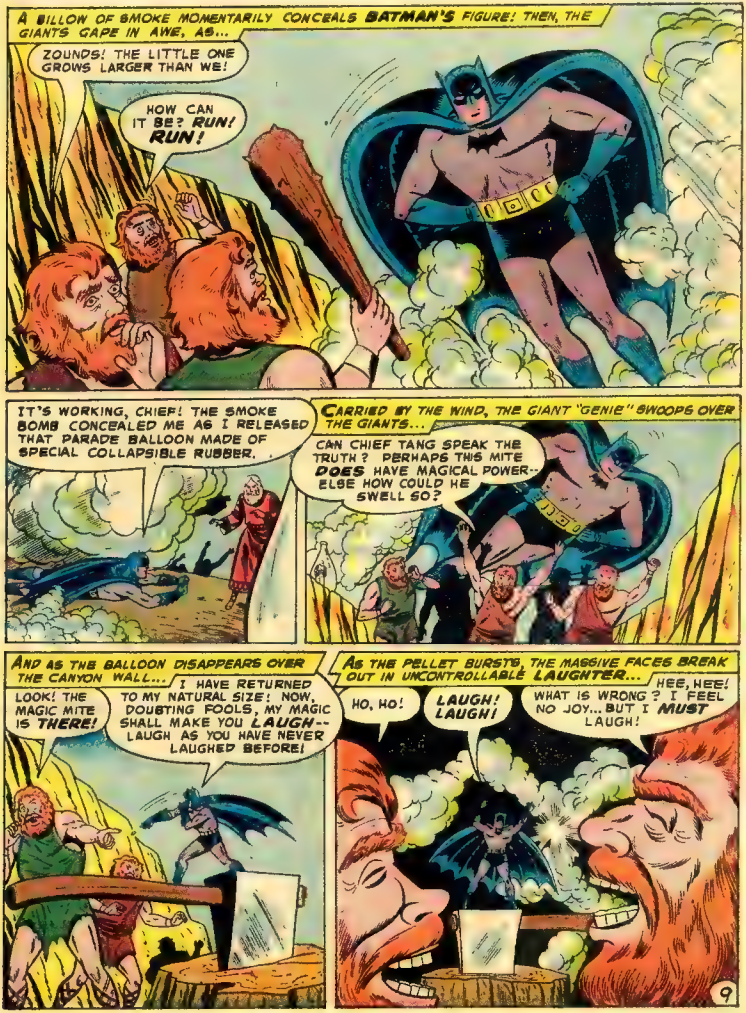
MEANWHILE, SOME DISTANCE OFF...
BATMAN'S UTILITY BELT CAPSULE OF CONCENTRATED HELIUM FILLED HIS CLOAK AND ENABLED HIM TO "FLY" OUT OF THE BOTTLE!
AND THE BOTTLE FLOATS THIS WAY FOR US TO RETRIEVE, AS HE PLANNED!
HARK, GIANTS! I AM THE GENIE OF THE ZOTOS -- SENT HERE TO TURN MY POWERS UPON YOU UNLESS YOU LET THEM LIVE IN PEACE!
HO, HO! WHAT FOOLS DOES HE THINK WE BE!
AND SUDDENLY, BATMAN'S VOICE REVERBERATES THROUGH THE CANYON -- INCREASED 1,000 TIMES BY HIS MINIATURE POWER UNIT...
THE TINY MITE BOOMS WITH A VOICE GREATER THAN THUNDER!
BEWARE THE GENIE
BEWARE THE GENIE
BEWARE THE GENIE
AS BATMAN'S BLUFF FAILS...
HO! HO! I'LL TEACH THIS LITTLE ONE A LESSON!
MUST PERFORM SOME "MAGIC" FAST! THESE ROCK-STREWN CANYON WALLS -- IF I TURN MY TRANSISTOR RADIO UP FULL POWER...
ABRUPTLY...
THE TREMENDOUS VOLUME HAS CREATED AN AVALANCHE! TIME TO CLOSE ACT ONE!
HIS VOICE BRINGS OUR CANYON DOWN UPON US! SEIZE HIM!
BUT AS THE GIANTS PURSUE...
YOU CANNOT CHALLENGE MY MAGIC! I WILL DEAL WITH YOU AGAIN!
HIS HANDS THROW THE RAYS OF THE SUN! I AM BLINDED!
THIS MIRROR WILL REFLECT THE BRIGHT SUNLIGHT!

BATMAN, WE SAW IT ALL! BUT SHOULDN'T YOU HAVE TRIED TO MAKE THEM SURRENDER THEN?
THAT WAS THE FIRST STEP, ROBIN-- TO MAKE THEM BELIEVE THAT A GENIE CAN REALLY EXIST.
WE CAN'T RISK FAILING! WE MUST BE CERTAIN THEY'RE COMPLETELY COWED. TOMORROW MORNING, WE'LL EXECUTE PLAN 2! LISTEN.
SUDDENLY, BATMAN'S HAND TRIGGERS A RELEASE ON HIS UTILITY BELT, AND...
VERY WELL! MY WRATH SHALL STRIKE YOU! I SHALL SHOW YOU I CAN BE EVEN BIGGER IN STATURE THAN YOU ARE!
NEXT MORNING, STARTLED CANYON GIANTS AWAKEN TO A STRANGE SIGHT...
HARK, GIANTS! AWAKEN AND HEAR THE MAGIC THAT CAN DESTROY YOU!
IF YOU GIVE US PEACE, WE SHALL BOTTLE OUR GENIE AND HE SHALL THREATEN YOU NO MORE.
HA! WE FEAR NOT THAT GNAT! HE SHALL BE SWATTED LIKE AN INSECT!


A BILLOW OF SMOKE MOMENTARILY CONCEALS BATMAN'S FIGURE! THEN, THE GIANTS GAPE IN AWE, AS...
ZOUNDS! THE LITTLE ONE GROWS LARGER THAN WE!
HOW CAN IT BE? RUN! RUN!
IT'S WORKING, CHIEF! THE SMOKE BOMB CONCEALED ME AS I RELEASED THAT PARADE BALLOON MADE OF SPECIAL COLLAPSIBLE RUBBER.
CARRIED BY THE WIND, THE GIANT "GENIE" SWOOPS OVER THE GIANTS...
CAN CHIEF TANG SPEAK THE TRUTH? PERHAPS THIS MITE DOES HAVE MAGICAL POWER-- ELSE HOW COULD HE SWELL SO?
AND AS THE BALLOON DISAPPEARS OVER THE CANYON WALL...
LOOK! THE MAGIC MITE IS THERE!
I HAVE RETURNED TO MY NATURAL SIZE! NOW, DOUBTING FOOLS, MY MAGIC SHALL MAKE YOU LAUGH-- LAUGH AS YOU HAVE NEVER LAUGHED BEFORE!
AS THE PELLET BURSTS, THE MASSIVE FACES BREAK OUT IN UNCONTROLLABLE LAUGHTER...
HO, HO!
LAUGH! LAUGH!
HEE, HEE! WHAT IS WRONG? I FEEL NO JOY... BUT I MUST LAUGH!

THAT'S IT--ROAR! YOU SHALL LAUGH FOR ME UNTIL THE MOON IS FULL! I CAN MAKE YOU DO ANYTHING!
OH, HO, HO, HO! HA, HA! P--PLEASE STOP YOUR MAGIC! HO, HO, HO... PLEASE STOP, GENIE!
HO
HA
FINALLY, AS BATMAN MOVES AWAY TO JOIN ROBIN...
HO, HO!
HA, HA! CALL BACK YOUR GENIE, ZOTO CHIEF! BOTTLE HIM UP! HO, HO!
I PUT PULVERIZED CHARCOAL AND FOSSIL BONE IN A HANDKERCHIEF UNDER MY COWL, ROBIN--TO PROTECT ME FROM THE LAUGHING GAS PELLET I THREW!
THEN...
BACK, GENIE--BACK INTO THE BOTTLE!
BY THE TIME ZOTO'S MEN HAVE BOTTLED ME UP, THE GAS WILL HAVE BLOWN AWAY AND THE GIANTS WILL THINK THE BOTTLE CONTAINS MY POWERS!
WE WILL RELEASE YOUR PEOPLE! WE WILL NEVER HARM YOU AGAIN!
THAT IS WELL, GIANTS! FOR OUR GENIE SHALL BE WAITING IN THE BOTTLE--TO BE RELEASED IF YOU EVER BREAK YOUR WORD!
LATER, WHEN THE CAPTIVES HAVE BEEN RETURNED TO THE VILLAGE...
THE WOODEN IMAGE CLOTHED IN YOUR COSTUME SHALL BE PLACED WHERE THE GIANTS CAN SEE IT! BUT YOU MUST REALLY BE A GENIE TO PROTECT US SO!
I AM JUST A MORTAL MAN, CHIEF TANG--WITH MAGIC TRICKS! BUT NOW WE MUST LEAVE--I AM BEING SUMMONED ELSEWHERE!
SOON AFTER, AS THE PAIR RETURNS TO MODERN TIMES...
WE SOLVED THE MYSTERY, PROFESSOR. THE PURPOSE OF THE HUGE ZOTO SLING WAS TO FIGHT OFF INCREDIBLE GIANTS!
AH, INDEED... THIS IS QUITE A REVELATION, BRUCE--HISTORIANS THE WORLD OVER WILL BE INDEBTED TO YOU!
AND LATER, AS BRUCE AND DICK JOURNEY HOMEWARD...
GOSH, BRUCE--WHAT WILL PROFESSOR NICHOLS THINK IF THE BATMAN DUMMY LEFT BEHIND IN THE BOTTLE IS DISCOVERED?
YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS MINE, DICK--BUT WE'LL CROSS THAT BRIDGE WHEN WE COME TO IT!
THE END

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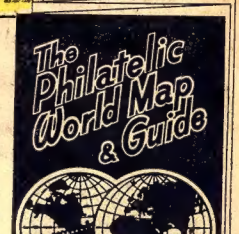

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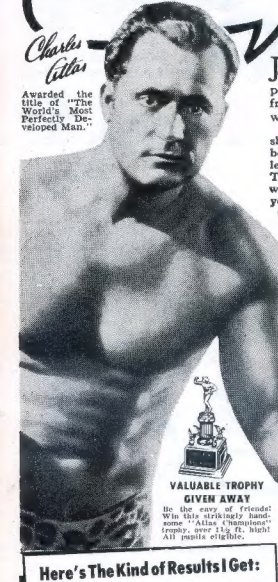

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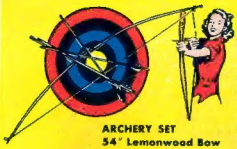

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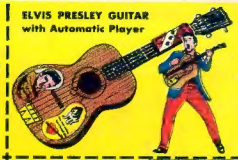

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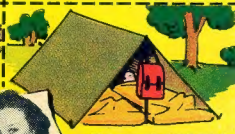

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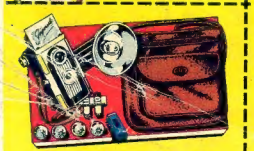

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